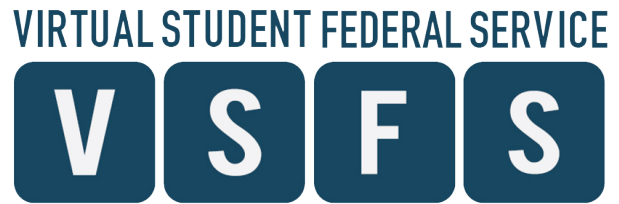


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Project Summary	Design a sports-themed bar for the Kabul Embassy Employee Association (KEEA) on the U.S. Embassy compound in Kabul, Afghanistan.
Country	Afghanistan

Project Description

KEEA has been assigned an empty space in the basement of a newly built apartment complex on the grounds of the U.S. Embassy in Kabul. The apartment complex houses hundreds of U.S. government workers. We desire to customize the available space into the only bar area for the entire U.S. Embassy compound. The bar itself will operate for limited hours, while the rest of the bar area will remain open 24 hours to support billiards, darts, dancing, and similar recreation.

We are open to creative ideas and décor, but in general we want an ‘Americana’-themed Sports Bar, perhaps with some local Afghan accents.

An architectural plan of the existing space, with dimensions, and pictures of the space, will be made available to the designer.

We require the following items to be reflected in any eventual design:

- Bar - with a nice, inviting bar top (with maybe some local accents, but easy to maintain) and a pull down, lockable enclosure. The bar is to be wet, and needs to have all the fixtures and accoutrements; i.e., dishwasher, sinks, prep area, storage for glass ware and tools, etc.
 - o Due to limited availability of water drains, KEEA will designate possible areas on the layout where the bar can be placed
 - o Lockable storage space for two days’ operations of alcohol service in the bar area
- Mood lighting (at present we have bright, overhead office lighting)
- Speakers and stereo system - we have the system but need it placed strategically around the room to create both loud and quiet areas. Also, any sound proofing elements that might be required, since this is part of a larger living/working space
- DJ booth - the booth can be raised or ground level, but should overlook the dance floor
- Dance floor (multifunctional space) – Must accommodate karaoke and dance parties, in addition to being available for open-seating-type events
 - o Additional lighting for the dance floor area
- Quiz/bingo night area, with seating – adjacent to the DJ booth, so quizzes and bingo events can be conducted from the DJ booth
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- Additional seating – high tables, booths, and regular tables, including some lounge-type seating
- Space for indoor sports equipment, including:
 - o two billiard tables (not snooker)
 - o a distinct area for dart games (four permanent boards on the wall, with space for expansion)
 - o one table tennis table (optional, space permitting)
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- Additional storage and shelving throughout the space to be used for table-top or board games, etc.
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- Design elements for the walls and columns, in keeping with the overall theme of the bar

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Required Skills or Interests

Skill(s)

Design thinking

Additional Information

The selected candidate will work with a main POC in Washington, D.C., and the team in Kabul, Afghanistan, and must have experience in architecture and/or interior design and expertise in designing retail/bar/restaurant spaces.

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Language Requirements

None